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May 14, 1937.

PERSONAL

Mr. T. C. Wilcox,
P. O. Box 333,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Wilcox:

I am enclosing herewith photostatic copies of affidavits forwarded to me by [redacted] of Detroit. [redacted] was recently in Washington and stated that he had this information concerning the alleged conspiracy with the very few [redacted] are here. I requested [redacted] to send me these affidavits and told him that I would submit them to the Department for consideration and his necessary instructions. I did this and am in receipt of word from the Department that the Bureau should await the advice of the Attorney, at the direction of Judge Raymond, before undertaking an investigation. I have advised [redacted] of this decision and am forwarding the enclosed copies to you for your information in this matter. b7c, b7D

I wired you a few days ago concerning the work in this matter and advised you to return from your special assignment in the West. I wish that you could submit a full and detailed report to me.

Very truly yours,
Director.



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May 18, 1937.

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Detroit, Michigan.

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Dear [REDACTED]:

As I advised you, I transmitted the affidavit which you sent me to Assistant Attorney General Loring with request for instructions as to the action which this Bureau should take. I am now in receipt of word from Mr. Loring, in which he states that the Bureau should await the outcome of the contempt proceedings instituted by the United States Attorney, at the direction of Judge Raymond, before undertaking any investigation. It is, therefore, likely that you may desire to communicate with the United States Attorney at Detroit, or you may probably wish to communicate with Mr. Loring direct.

Cordially yours,

Director.

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I am attaching hereto, for your information, a copy of a communication which I have received from [REDACTED] and which has reference to the matter referred to in my memorandum addressed to you under date of May 16, 1927. b7C, b7D

I advised [REDACTED] of your views, in reply to my memorandum, and the attached letter is in answer to that communication. b7C, b7D

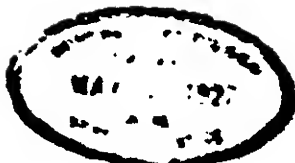
I would appreciate receiving your instructions in this matter in order that the Bureau may be guided accordingly.

Very truly yours,

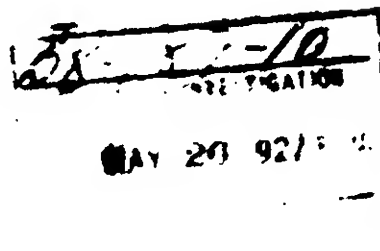
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May 23, 1927.

Personal.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director, Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your letter of May 19, 1927, concerning affidavits I sent you some time ago, received.

I am fearful that some of the evidence available in this matter may be lost unless your special investigator arrives here soon to take the matter up. I talked with Mr. Baxter, Acting United States Attorney here, and also showed him your letter stating that Mr. Lohring advised you to await the outcome of the contempt proceedings. Mr. Baxter informs me that an investigation of the matter I took up with you would in no way interfere with the contempt proceedings; neither do I personally see how it would interfere. I wish, therefore, you would again take the matter up with Mr. Lohring showing him this letter and advising him of my suggestion to have an agent come here in the near future to make an investigation.

Sincerely yours, [REDACTED]

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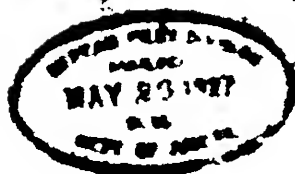
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Detroit, Michigan.

Dear [REDACTED] b7C, b7D

I received your letter of the 22nd, and immediately called the same to the attention of Assistant Attorney General Loring and requested him to advise us as soon as possible of the action which this Bureau should take. Just as soon as I receive word from him, I will advise you.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Detroit, Michigan

REPORT MADE AT Detroit, Michigan	DATE WHEN MADE 5/24/37	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/18-25/37	REPORT MADE BY E. E. Wilson
TITLE OF CASE LEWIS vs. FORD CIVIL SUIT FOR DAMAGES			CHARACTER OF CASE ALLEGED PERJURY AND JURY TAMPERING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Request made by Honorable Judge Raymond that this Bureau investigate one woman juror of panel trying above entitled case to determine whether or not perjury had been committed or any attempt had been made to influence this juror. Instructions received from Director and followed. Evidence shows husband of woman juror whiskey dealer and owner of building operated by brother as blind pig. Insufficient evidence to show perjury. Evidence at hand insufficient to show jury tampering but possibility of more development along this line and securing competent evidence to prove same. Contempt proceedings against local newspaper ordered by Judge Raymond. Same now in preparation by Assistant U. S. Attorney Carter.

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REFERENCE:

Director's telegram under date of April 19th, instructing Agent in Charge to proceed with investigation of one juror in this case and to comply with the request of Judge Raymond and any of his instructions that he may issue to the writer in this matter.

DETAILS:

For some several weeks prior to April 18th, the above entitled civil suit for damages was in progress in the Federal Court in this district, being tried before Honorable Judge Fred Raymond, visiting Judge from Grand Rapids. On the evening of April 18th, this Agent received a verbal request from Judge Raymond to visit the Judge in his chambers in the Federal Building. Complying with this request, Judge Raymond made the further request that this Bureau make an investigation to establish, if possible, the truth or falsity of certain allegations and statements set forth in a letterhead memorandum by confidential agents of Henry Ford. The Judge stated that these allegations were definite facts and the

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ALLEGED PERJURY AND JURY TAMPERING

May 24th, 1937.

aforesaid affidavits to this Agent on the morning of April 19th. These affidavits were furnished on the morning of April 19th by Judge Raymond and immediately following their receipt, the following telegram was dispatched to the Director:

"Judge Raymond sitting in Ford-Bayne case has requested investigation one woman juror in case concerning alleged attempt to corrupt step there is some evidence of attempt having been made viz; same woman juror committed perjury under oath apparently to secure membership jury this case step juror is wife of blind pig operator this city step case continued this morning until Thursday morning to allow opportunity investigate matter step there is possibility that mistrial may be declared any day step I know I cannot legally interview this juror now step please instruct me to making investigation requested by Judge."

On April 19th, telegraphic instructions were received from the Director, authorizing this Agent to proceed with this investigation and to do so in a strictly confidential and discreet manner. Following the instructions of the Director, I reported to Judge Raymond and advised him that I was at his service in this matter. The Judge instructed me to proceed and to interview any and all jurors on this case that I deemed necessary to interview. He also instructed me to first deal with the contempt angle of this matter, then the possible perjury and jury tampering. He drew my attention to an article appearing in the Detroit Times, a local newspaper, in which the writer of this article appeared to quote the woman juror who was known as Mrs. Cora Hoffmann. It will be well to note at this time that an error was made in this woman's name, as her correct name is Mrs. Clara Hoffmann.

Agent was furnished with the original affidavits of the Ford representatives. Among three affidavits is noted the affidavit of JOSEPH G. CLARK. Attention is directed to this affidavit, particularly as to its showing or apparently showing that the man of Jewish birth is supposed to be the man who handed a large box of candy to Mrs. William Hoffmann. A copy of this affidavit is attached to and made a portion of this report.

The next affidavit is that of THURGOOD MARSH, a copy of which affidavit is attached hereto.

The next is the affidavit of JAMES L. CLARK, copy attached hereto.

The next, an affidavit of BENJAMIN BARKIN, which appears to show the place of business at 5155 - 14th Avenue, Detroit, is which place of business, in a building owned by Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman, certain interesting drinks had been purchased. Copy of this affidavit is attached.

Next is shown a copy of the affidavit of ARTHUR J. MILLER, showing the purchase of a pair of underwear at the Hoffman location on April 18th.

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Next is shown copy of the affidavit of ARTHUR G. CANDLEM.

Next is shown copy of the affidavit of HENRY ORTH. Particular attention is invited to this affidavit because of the fact that it is shown herewith that on Sunday, February 27th, 1937, the affiant heard Mrs. William Hofmann say that she hoped to be selected for jury service in this case and if she was "it would not be very healthy for old man Ford as she did not like his methods or anything about him". Special attention is invited to the date on which this statement was heard as it will be noted that this date was prior to the commencement of this action in Federal Court and after this statement was made this same woman became a member of that jury.

Next is shown the affidavit of CARL BROOKS, with reference to the conversation overheard between Mrs. Hofmann and some Jewish gentlemen in the corridors of the Federal Building.

Next is shown the affidavit of MILTON JOHNSON, showing the apparent acquaintance of some Jewish gentlemen who was about the corridors of the Federal Building, and Mr. Aaron Sapire, the complainant in the action on trial.

Next is shown copy of the affidavit of ALBERT F. BATES, showing certain conversations this affiant overheard.

Next is shown second affidavit of ARTHUR G. CANDLEM, with reference to conversation between Mrs. Hofmann and a Jewish gentleman in the corridors of the Federal Building.

Next is shown copy of the affidavit of H. ORTH, with reference to a conversation he had on April 14th with William Hofmann, the husband of this woman juror. Also is shown copy of additional affidavit of Mr. ORTH, showing other conversation he had with Mr. Hofmann.

Following the instructions of Judge Raymond, Mrs. Hofmann was requested by the Deputy Marshal on duty at Judge Raymond's court, to come to the Federal Building and she was brought to this office where she was interrogated. Following the instructions of Judge Raymond, she was first interrogated with reference to the newspaper articles which appeared in the DETROIT TIMES under date of April 19, 1937, in what is commonly known as "THE BUSH" edition, this article appearing on the first page and in the eighth column. A copy of the affidavit of Mrs. Hofmann is attached to and makes a portion of this report.

Following the interrogation of Mrs. Hofmann, the man referred to in the affidavits of Ford representatives as "a certain Jewish gentleman" was identified as Mr. J. Miller, a real estate broker whose residence is 630 Westminster Street and whose telephone number is 6-1000. Mr. Miller was requested to call at this office, which he did. Copies of the statements made by Mr. Miller, all of which were taken stenographically at the time he made them, are attached to and

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Q. The next lady is Mrs. - -
A. Hoffman.

Q. You will have to pardon me for not knowing your name; they are all new to me. Mrs. Hoffman, do you belong to any church?
A. Yes.

Q. What church?
A. Catholic Church.

Q. Have you ever read any of those articles about the Jewish people?
A. I have never read any of them.

Q. You have no knowledge then at all in regard to what might turn up to be the controversy in this case?
A. None.

Q. Have you any feeling either favorable or unfavorable toward Mr. Henry Ford?
A. No.

Q. That I mean would in any way sway your judgment in this case. Have you any feeling at all toward the Dearborn Independent?
A. No.

Q. You know of no reason why you cannot sit here and be absolutely impartial in this case?
A. No reason."

Following is shown the answers made by Juror Hoffman to the questions of Attorney Gallagher:

Q. Mrs. Hoffman, have your friends, in your presence, discussed the attitude of Mr. Ford toward the Jewish people?
A. No, sir.

Q. The matter is first brought to your attention at the present time then?
A. This morning.

Q. So that your mind is free now to pass upon the merit or lack of merit of these charges?
A. Yes, sir."

Attention is particularly invited to the answer as made by Mrs. Hoffman to the question of Doubter Reed as to her having any feeling either favorable or unfavorable toward Mr. Henry Ford. It will be noted that she made this statement on March 18th and frankly stated that she harbored no feeling of any kind toward Mr. Ford. In the affidavit of HENRY CLARK it is noted that as far back as

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ALBINO FELTNER AND JUNE SAMPSON

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office and changing the affidavit which she has already made.

At 11:15 A. M. on April 21st. Judge Raymond, sitting in this case, declared a mistrial and discharged the jury. He stated in open court, that because of the desire for sensationalism of some of the members of the local press and because of their interviewing a juror and publishing certain statements, there would be no justice to either side if trial was continued. Following the above ruling given in open court, the Judge was eloated with counsel for both sides of the case for the purpose of considering a date to again take up the trial of this matter. A date has been set for July 1st for further conference between the Judge and attorneys in this connection.

With further reference to this matter and the status of the same, the writer acknowledges letter of the Director under date of May 18th and in compliance with the instructions as contained therein, this matter will be at this time held in this office as

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STATE

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WAYNE)

ss

Joseph C. Glendon, being duly sworn, deposes
and says:

THAT on March 23rd, 1927 at about 11:00 AM,
on the third floor of the Federal Building, he saw Mrs. William Hoffman,
(a juror in the case of Sapire vs. Ford, now in progress), shaking hands
with a man of Jewish birth. He was unable to learn his name, but the man
is about five feet seven inches tall, weighs about 195 pounds, has dark
complexion and a square jaw. That this was the same man he saw conversing
with Mr. Aaron Sapire in the corridor about a half hour previous.

THAT at about 3:00 PM as jury were passing out,
said Mrs. William Hoffman was handed a large box which apparently was candy.

THAT on the following day, the same Jewish person
as above described had another conversation with Mr. Aaron Sapire, and
almost immediately after was seen to shake hands with and hold another
conversation with said Mrs. William Hoffman.

THAT all of such conversations took place on the
third floor of the Federal Building where the Sapire vs. Ford case is
in progress.

(Sub.) Joseph C. Glendon

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 16th day of April, 1927, A.D.

(Sub.) J. Russell Shaw
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 16, 1929

State of MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WAYNE

vs

Chasmooy Graham, being duly sworn, deposes

and says:

THAT on March 24th, 1927, at about 10:00 o'clock
A.M. he saw Mr. Aaron Sapire (plaintiff in the case of Sapire vs. Ford),
come out of the Court Room, meet and converse with a certain man of Jewish
birth, who was pointed out to him as the man who has been so active in this
case.

THAT later on in the afternoon, he saw this same
Jewish man meet, shake hands and converse with Mrs. William Hoffman,
a woman on the jury in the above mentioned case.

(Sub.) Chasmooy Graham

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 15th day of April, 1927, A.D.

(Sub.) J. Russell Green
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 15, 1929

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WAYNE)

ss

Joseph L. Oldani, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

THAT on April 7th, 1937, while on the third floor of the Federal Building, where the Empire vs. Ford Suit is in progress he saw a certain Jewish man walk over to, and converse with Mr. Aaron Empire, and that a short time after this, the same man accepted and talked with Mrs. William Hoffman, a juror in said case.

THAT they appeared very friendly, but talked so quietly that affiant was unable to hear their conversation. That they continued with this quiet conversation until the approach of the Deputy U. S. Marshal, when they separated.

(Subs.) Joseph L. Oldani

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 15th day of April, 1937, A.D.,

(Subs.) J. Russell Shaw
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 26, 1939

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COUNTY OF WAYNE } 25

Leonard Mackins, being duly sworn deposes

and says:

THAT on Wednesday, April 13th, 1927, he purchased at a residence at # 5126 Fourteenth Avenue, Detroit, three glasses of whiskey and two glasses of beer, for which he paid the sum of two dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25).

THAT said residence is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffman who operate it as a saloon.

THAT Mrs. William Hoffman is now acting as a juror in the case of Sapire vs. Ford, now in progress in the U. S. Federal Court.

(Sub.) Leonard Mackins

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 14th day of April 1927, A.D.,

(Sub.) J. Russell Scott
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 15, 1929

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE

ss

Arnold Miller, being duly sworn deposes

and says:

THAT on Wednesday, April 19th, 1927, he purchased at a residence at 8188 Fourteenth Avenue, Detroit, one pint of whiskey for which he paid the sum of three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50).

THAT said residence is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffman who operate it as a saloon.

THAT Mrs. William Hoffman is now acting as a juror in the case of Sapire vs. Ford, now in progress in the U. S. Federal Court.

(Sgd) ARNOLD J. MILLER

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 14th day of April 1927, A. D.

(Sgd) J. HENRIK GILG
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 15, 1928.

C O P Y (wtn)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WAYNE) ss

Arthur G. Candler, being duly sworn, deposes
and says:

THAT on the 19th day of April, 1927, at about
11:00 AM, while in the corridor of the Federal Building, he saw one Rose
Gold talking to several Jewish men, and one woman. He saw Rose Gold follow
Mrs. William Hoffman, a jury woman in the Sapiro-Ford Suit, to the Ladies'
Room, where they remained for about five minutes, and came out together.

THAT the said Rose Gold was conversing with Mr.
Aaron Sapiro.

THAT he learned the name and address of Rose Gold
by following her to Crowley Milners, where she made a purchase and had it
sent to her address at 926 E. Warren Avenue, near Hastings.

(Sgd) ARTHUR G. CANDLER

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 19th day of April, 1927, A. D.

(Sgd) J. HUSSELL CHAS

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.

My Commission Expires June 18, 1929.

COPY (vtn)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WAYNE) ss

Henry Orth, being duly sworn deposes and

says:

THAT on Sunday, February 27th, 1927, while visiting his aunt, Mrs. E. Hoffman, he met Mrs. William Hoffman who talked over the possibility of being selected for jury service in the Ford-Empire lawsuit :

THAT Mrs. William Hoffman said, she hoped that she would be selected for such jury service and that if she was it would not be very healthy for old man Ford as she did not like his methods or anything about him.

(Sgd) HENRY ORTH

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 15th day of April, 1927. A. D.

(Sgd) J. RUSSELL CHAP
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 14, 1929.

C O P Y (cont)

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COUNTY OF WAYNE

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Carl Brooks, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That on Wednesday, March 23rd, 1927, while on the third floor of the Post Office Building, waiting for Judge Raymond's Court to adjourn at noon, and that during such adjournment he followed a woman juror by the name of Mrs. William Hoffman from court room door down the corridor and saw her stop and talk to a Jewish man about the age of 47 to 50 years old, weight between 175 to 185 pounds, and about 5 feet 7-1/2 or 8 inches tall, and heard their conversation, he asking her to go to lunch and she declined, saying, "I haven't got time", and he said, "If you will go to lunch with me where we can talk, it will be worth several thousand dollars to you". She again refused, saying she had no time, but would see him later. He then followed her to the Jury Room and out of Federal Building to Fort Street and east on Fort to Cafeteria in basement of First Bank Building, where she met two other jury women, but he did not know their names, but had seen them sitting in the jury box.

(Sgd) CARL BROOKS

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 16th day of April, 1927, A. D.

(Sgd) J. RUSSELL WISE

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 15, 1928.

C O P Y (cont)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) SS
COUNTY OF WAYNE)

Milton Johnson, being duly sworn, deposes
and says:

THAT on March 26th, 1927, at about 10:30 AM
of said day and while on the third floor of the Federal Building, he saw a
certain Jewish man (who had been pointed out to him by Mr. Albert Bates)
stop Mr. Aaron Sapiro as he came out of the Court Room, put his arm around
his waist and talked very earnestly for several minutes, and then walked
down the corridor toward the elevator. They were very friendly and walked
arm in arm. He does not know the name of this man but he was about 5 feet
7 inches tall and would weight nearly two hundred pounds, had a very sallow
complexion and a heavy jaw.

THAT on the 29th day of March, and at the
adjournment of court, he saw this same man stop Mrs. William Hoffman, a
juror in the case of Aaron Sapiro vs. Ford, in the corridor, shake hands
with her and talk for several minutes.

(Sgd) MILTON S. JOHNSON

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 10th day of April, 1927, A. D.,

(Sgd) J. HUSSELL GRAY
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 16, 1929.

C O P Y (true)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

COUNTY OF WAYNE)

Albert F. Bates, being duly sworn deposes and says:

THAT on Tuesday, March 22nd, 1927, he noticed Mrs. Hoffman, a jury woman, not and speak to three men, who, to all appearances were Jewish, on two occasions, once at recess around 11:00 A.M., and when court adjourned for noon hour at 12:30 P.M. One of these three men, name not known, but being a man about 45 or 50 years old, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 190 pounds, bald-headed, wearing a dark gray overcoat; dark green hat, tried to draw her attention as though he wanted to speak to her.

THAT on Wednesday, March 23rd, 1927, he saw same three Jewish men hanging around corridors on third floor of Post Office Building, near Judge Raymond's Court Room, from 10:00 AM until 12:30 P.M. when court adjourned for lunch hour. This certain man, name not known, but description given above, accosted Mrs. Hoffman, spoke to her by name, tipped his hat, and they shook hands and started to hold a conversation, he asking her to go to dinner with him, she refusing, and he remarking, "You can make several thousand dollars, if you will do that." She shook her head and walked away. He grabbed her by the arm and holding her kept on talking. She tried to go away from him and he kept blocking her way by getting in front of her. She finally looked all around cautiously, and both seemed to hold a confidential talk in very low tones, parting by shaking hands, and smiling, she remarking "I'll see you later". He said, "All right". He left the building in company of his two friends.

THAT on Thursday, March 24th, 1927, at 10:25 AM this same Jewish man greeted Sapire and walked away with him. They seemed very friendly to each other, looking arms, laughing, and general actions.

THAT on Monday, March 29th, 1927, this same man came into Court Building at 2:00 PM and stayed till 4:30 PM, shook hands and talked for about two minutes with Mrs. Hoffman.

THAT on Tuesday, March 28th, 1927, same man entered Court Building at 9:25 AM and spoke to Mrs. Hoffman. He loitered around until 10:05 AM, then entered Court Room, stayed until noon adjournment.

THAT on Thursday, April 7th, 1927, this same Jewish man came to Post Office Building and entered Court Room at 12:00 noon.

(Sgd) ALBERT F. BATES

Subscribed and sworn to before me,

this 16th day of April 1927 A. D.,

(Sgd) J. HENRIK HALL

Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.

My Commission Expires June 15, 1928.

C O P Y (cont)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WAINE) ss

A. G. Jandier, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

THAT on the 7th day of April, 1927, while on the third floor of the Federal Building, where the Sapirc vs. Ford case is in progress, he saw a certain Jewish man approach and talk with Mr. A. Sapirc. That this man walked out in the corridor and followed Mrs. William Koffman (a juror in said case) down the corridor, where he accosted her and then talked fast and low and he was unable to hear what they were saying. During this conversation the man had his hand on her arm all the time, and the talk seemed very confidential. They talked until the Court Deputy approached, and the Deputy said something to her, and appeared quite angry. She then went into the ladies' dressing room.

THAT he followed the Jewish man to Room 1113 Lafayette Building which is occupied by Henry W. Gottlieb, H. B. Fraub and R. Schemberger and son.

(Sgt) ARTHUR G. CANNON

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 10th day of April, 1927. A. B.

(Sgt) J. HUGHES SMITH
Notary Public

Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 16, 1929.

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On Thursday Apr. 14, '27, at 10.30 A.M. I went to Wm. Hoffman 5180-14th and told him the Ford Service dep't knew of every move his wife made while on jury service knew of her being approached by a man connected with Sapiro who talked of money and that he better have her tell the judge and clear herself as I believe the Ford Co. intends to.

Hoffman denied all this, and very abusive about Mr. Ford stating the Old Bastard ought to be hung, with his 8 dan slow foot organization following her around, and stated he would tell her to go to the judge and say the Ford Motor Co. is trying to predigidee the jury.

(cont.) _____ J. Orth.

(Sgt.) J. Russell Gann
Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires, June 10, 1928

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Apr. 12, 1927 while talking to Mr. Wm. Hoffman
he stated his wife came home and told him she was approached by a
Jewish gentleman while she was on jury service who asked he to go
to dinner with him.

This man whose name is J. Miller is a real estate
dealer and is in an apartment house deal with Mr. Hoffman at the
present time.

(Sgd.) Henry Orth

(sgd.) J. Russell Gass
Notary Public Wayne County Mich.
My Commission Expires June 16, 1929

Below is the substance of information given me by one [redacted]
[redacted] St., Detroit, Mich., on April 22,

1937:

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[redacted]
[redacted]
While she has been sitting as a member of the jury in the Ford-Spire case, she has called on me for professional work a few times. Last Saturday about 10:30 a.m. she came for work, and got to talking about the detectives following her. She seemed very much worked up about it, and made the remark: "Henry Ford, with all his millions, can't twist everybody around his finger". She had on previous occasions mentioned the trial, but simply remarked about the length of the case, the pictures being taken, and about one of the jurors giving her a box of candy. She has never commented on the evidence, or how she was going to vote on the case. Saturday she said the detectives were trying to make something out of nothing, and mentioned they were trying to get a mortgage thru a Mr. Miller, and the box of candy incident, and said Ford detectives were misrepresenting these things. She never indicated to me that she would vote against Ford. Yesterday she said she had been sent for by the Judge and that someone had told the Judge about the remarks of her seeing a man in the lobby, and that the Judge was very nice to her. "I do not know her husband, and never saw him. She said he was a [redacted] character. She said that the place underneath them was being run by two other men who rent it of her husband. She comes to me because she likes my work only. She is not friendly to me because she takes issue with people who are not of her faith. We are of different religious faiths. She made the statement to me that when the jury was selected the Judge quizzed all the Protestants, but not the Catholics, saying that to provoke me. [redacted] She is a strong Catholic. [redacted] and she knows I am a Protestant. [redacted] She has said to me she would never come in on it if it was not for [redacted] she gets. [redacted]

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Special Agent.

REPORT
I HAVE
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
UNITED STATES

Detroit, Michigan, April 21, 1947.

Referring to the interrogation of Juror, Mrs. Hoffman, today in the presence of the undersigned and Agent [REDACTED] Juror [REDACTED] was interviewed in the Department of Justice offices relative to the giving of a box of candy to Juror Hoffman. b7C b7C

[REDACTED] stated that he did personally hand to Mrs. Hoffman a box of candy which was given as a favor because of his having lost at a time when he and other jurors were engaged in the Jury Room in a game of Five Hundred. b7C

J. P. [REDACTED]

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ADDITIONAL STATEMENT OF

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[REDACTED] April 13, 1927, [REDACTED] I went to 3158 Fourteenth St., and went into the street room, front, first floor, which is used as a bar, and over which is the sign "Flamingo". [REDACTED] other fellows there at the time. They were throwing dice on the bar.

[REDACTED] Two men were behind the bar, one short, dark complexion, black hair, clean shaven, neat, 120-140 lbs., and the other a big man. The smaller man had on an apron, and apparently was bar-tender; the other man I supposed was Hofmann's brother. He poured a few drinks while I was there. I had not been there at any other time. I was not introduced to the man behind the bar. Wm. C. Hofmann went behind the bar while I was there, but I did not see him sell anything. I did not see Mrs. Hofmann there. The man I took for Hofmann's brother did not wear an apron.

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INTERVIEW OF JAMES WILSON BY S. G. WILSON, AGENT IN CHARGE, AT DETROIT
DETROIT OFFICE ON APRIL 17, 1947, 2:45 P. M.

FRAMES: JAMES WILSON, 605 Schumacher St., Detroit, Michigan.
S. G. WILSON, Agent in Charge, Detroit, Michigan.

[REDACTED] Agent, Detroit, Michigan.

[REDACTED] Agent, Detroit, Michigan.

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Assistant to the Director, FBI, in the Office of Special Agent
in Charge, Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., April 20, 1949.

Subject: J. Edgar Hoover, Director, FBI, in Charge
of the Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., April 20, 1949.
Re: J. Edgar Hoover b7C

Quoting by Mr. Clark.

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May 25, 1927.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LUTHER.

I am attaching hereto, for your information, a copy of a communication I have received from Mr. [REDACTED]

and which has reference to the matter referred to in my memorandum addressed to you under date of May 16, 1927. b7C, b7D

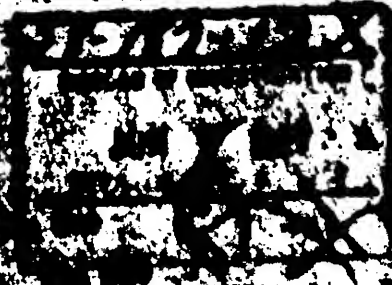
I advised [REDACTED] of your views, in reply to my memorandum, and the attached letter is in answer to that communication. b7C, b7D

I would appreciate receiving your instructions in this matter in order that the Bureau may be guided accordingly.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Detroit

May 13, 1927.

PERSONAL

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director, Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your letter of May 1, 1927, concerning affidavits
has been received.

I am fearful that so much of the evidence available
in this matter may be lost unless your special investigator
arrives here soon to take the matter up. I talked with Mr.
Baxter, Acting United States Attorney here, and also showed
him your letter stating that Mr. Lohring advised you to await
the outcome of the contempt proceedings. Mr. Baxter informs
me that an investigation of the matter I took up with you
would in no way interfere with the contempt proceedings;
neither do I personally see how it would interfere. I wish,
therefore, you would again take the matter up with Mr. Lohring
showing him this letter and advising him of my suggestion to
have an agent come here in the near future to make an inves-
tigation.

Sincerely yours,

(s)

[REDACTED]

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Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

P. O. Box 531,
Detroit, Michigan.

May 27, 1927.

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Sir:

Upon my return to my headquarters I found your personal letter, together with many photostats, concerning the Zerk-Wire case. I note that these forwarded by Mr. [redacted] of Detroit. b7C, b7D

I am following your instructions relative to this matter and the same will be followed implicitly. A full report in this case is being made yesterday afternoon and should be in your hands shortly.

I conferred with Assistant U. S. Attorney John Baxter and he advised me that he is preparing the contempt proceedings ordered by Hon. Judge Maguire. It is my personal impression from evidence as shown in my report that the juror, Mrs. W. Hoffman, did falsely testify upon being examined as a prospective juror in this case, not particularly with reference to the business of her husband but more particularly as to her statement that she has no interest in the pending cases as there appears to be sufficient evidence to show that she did have and had publicly expressed an opinion inimical to defendant prior to her examination as a juror.

However, in accordance with your instructions, this matter will be left in charge of the outcome of the contempt proceedings in this matter.

Respectfully,

J. C. Wheeler

Special Agent in Charge

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June 2, 1927.

Mr. T. C. Wilcox,
P. O. Box 881,
Detroit, Michigan.

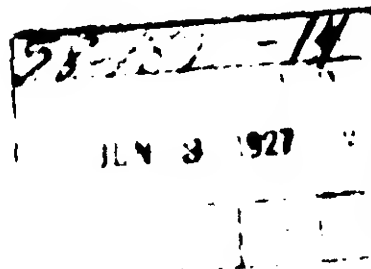
Dear Sir:

This letter will be presented by Mr. Daly who has been assigned by us to take up the present investigation, certain angles of the Ford Snapiro case. Mr. Daly will explain to you exactly what his functions are and it is my desire that you extend to him every assistance and cooperation during the course of this investigation.

Mr. Daly will be directly responsible for the investigation and any orders which he may issue to you or any members of your office should be complied with.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

Detroit, Michigan,
June 4, 1927.

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Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Attention Division No. 1.

In the matter of SAPING vs. FORD, Alleged Perjury and Jury Tampering. I today had a conference with Mr. John Baxter, Acting United States Attorney, and, as a result, Mr. Baxter told me that he has drawn an information in the contempt matter in the case which charges the Detroit Times and reporter Frank Bogart with contempt, but when this was submitted to Judge Raymond he expressed himself to the effect that it should be ascertained who, if anyone, directed or instructed reporter Bogart to have the interview with Juror Hoffman, which interview is the basis of the contempt proceedings. In accordance with Judge Raymond's wishes, Mr. Baxter instructed me to interview Bogart and the City Editor, Mr. John C. Manning.

It appears that the conducting of such interviews is the only practical way in which the desired information could be secured, and I shall make such interviews unless you direct me to the contrary. It is not unlikely that publicity may result, but I will endeavor to avoid it by mentioning that actively publicity might prevent the securing of all available information to the possible detriment of all concerned.

I will not conduct these interviews until I hear from you. Will you not therefore please telephone to my office here and instruct me in the matter.

I am at the office until Monday, when Mr. [redacted] is to be interviewed. I will secure from him such information as he has at my date. b7c

I find that investigators of the Ford Motor Co. have interviewed all of the persons composing the jury in the matter, and Mr. Baxter has a copy of the statements covering the interviews in question, such affidavits being made by the investigators and covering the interviews. These affidavits contain information tending to show that Juror Hoffman was prejudiced and another juror was under the influence of liquor a good deal of the time he was in jury service.

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June 6, 1928

J H Daly
Fort Shelby Hotel
Detroit Michigan

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS RE: UNITED STATES ATTORNEY BAXTER
IN MATTER OF INTERVIEWS

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June 8, 1927.

Mr. F. J. Wilcox,
P. O. Box 951,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:

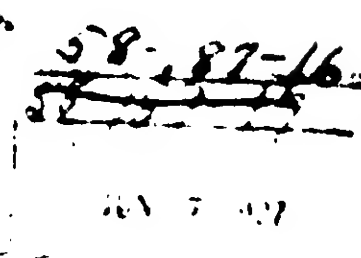
A review of the papers submitted by you in connection with your investigation into the alleged contempt of court, improper influence of jury, etc., in the FORD - SAPIRO case, indicated that you used one or more of the Bureau's agents as stenographers in the taking of testimony. This procedure is undesirable. All Bureau agents should be used for investigative purposes only. It is assumed that in matters of this kind each office possesses a stenographic staff sufficiently competent to function properly.

It is also noted that in some of the statements there is attached the following: "F. J. Wilcox, Notary Public, Wayne County, Michigan. My commission expires November 21, 1927".

The Bureau does not desire any of its agents in charge to hold commissions as Notaries Public.

Very truly yours,

Director.



Form 100-10 (Rev. 1-27)

Detroit, Mich.

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J. E. Daly |
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CONFLICT OF COURT, PROBATE
AND JURY TRIALS. (Previously
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JURY TRIAL NO. 7) |

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SYNOPSIS - FACTS:

Reported to Acting U. S. Attorney John Baxter, Detroit, informing him of Agent's instructions to work upon the above captioned matter in accordance with his directions; discussed the matter with Mr. Baxter, who outlined the facts and made known his desires with respect to further detailed investigative work to be performed; interviews had with CITY EDITOR JOHN E. MANNING and MANAGING EDITOR HENRY A. MONTGOMERY of the DETROIT TIMES, wherein MR. MONTGOMERY assumes responsibility for the detailing of REPORTER FRANK BOGART to conduct the interview in question with JUROR HOFFMAN. REPORTER BOGART to be interviewed upon his return and other investigative work to be performed.

PENDING.

DETAILS:

Reference is made to report of Agent in Charge T. C. Wilcox for May 14, 1927, in the above entitled matter.

Pursuant to instructions, Agent reported to Acting U. S. Attorney John Baxter at Detroit, Michigan, on June 3, 1927, advising him that Agent had been assigned to this matter, with instructions from the Bureau to work under his guidance and subject to his instructions. After a preliminary discussion, arrangements were made to meet Mr. Baxter the following day, at which time Mr. Baxter discussed the matter at some length and indicated the nature of the investigative work to be performed. He explained that he had been furnished information covering the content features of the case, which information charges the Detroit Times and REPORTER FRANK BOGART of that paper with Contempt of Court, and that U. S. District Judge Fred Raymond has instructed that an investigation should be undertaken to ascertain who, if anyone, directed or instructed REPORTER BOGART to conduct the interview with JUROR CLARA (or CURA) HOFFMAN, and, accordingly, Mr. Baxter instructed Agent to attempt an interview with CITY EDITOR JOHN E. MANNING and REPORTER BOGART of the DETROIT TIMES, in an effort to obtain the desired information.

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| SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
J. E. Daly | DATE
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JUN 30 1927 |

Mr. [Signature]

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Mr. Barker already had copies of these two affidavits and [redacted] furnished no additional information this date, but he arranged with Mr. BARKER for a conference with MR. BENTLEY, Chief Investigator for the firm MYER CO., who has supervised the investigative work of that company in this matter, in order that MR. BENTLEY might supply to Mr. Barker all of the details which may be of value in the investigative work yet to be performed. b7C

Mr. Rogers was asked as to the advisability of consulting Judge Raymond before further investigative work is begun. He informed Agent that Judge Raymond has already requested him to have such investigative work done and it is therefore unnecessary to first consult Judge Raymond on the matter.

In accordance with Mr. Barker's instructions, Agent interviewed MR. JOHN D. MARINE, City Editor of the "HARTFORD PRESS," on this date (June 1941) at the plant of the "HARTFORD PRESS," Hartford, Michigan, with regard to the news item in question, which appeared in the "HARTFORD PRESS" on April 17, 1937, carrying headline, "BOMB ON FORD STREET, JUNE 17, 1937," which story item begins on the first page, column eight, and is concluded on the second page, column eight, and which deals with an interview with a person referred to as MR. GUYA HORTON, one of the six women

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the reporting of the trial of the person, who had directed the
REPORTER BOGART to interview JAMES HOFFMAN on the occasion
of the trial. HOFFMAN readily accepted, saying that he is a
hanging judge of the Detroit Times and that in both cases he is
reporting what he is hearing. JAMES HOFFMAN at the time in question
which interview resulted in the news item in question which appeared in the
DETROIT TIMES on April 16, 1937.

MR. MONTGOMERY said that he desired to explain that in assigning
REPORTER BOGART to conduct this interview with JAMES HOFFMAN he was unaware
that such an interview was improper or in violation of any law. In further
explanation, he said that news items had appeared in another Detroit paper
therein it was asserted or alleged that a juror in the trial of the case was
charged with having committed such acts as would deprive the juror of
further jury service in the case; that later another newspaper reported wherein
it said was made that the juror so accused was a woman; that on April 16,
1937, he knew the name of this woman juror, as did other newspaper men in
city, as counsel for the plaintiff or the defendant (as could not
remember which, but he thought it was Mr. HANLEY of counsel for Mr. FORD) and
gave out a statement to the news papers of Detroit, making such an accusation
concerning JAMES HOFFMAN by name, and that accompanying such statement,
which was a written statement, were affidavits covering the accusation against
JAMES HOFFMAN and supplying certain details. He said that therefore, fol-
lowing the usual newspaper practice of handling such matter, he desired that an
interview be had with JAMES HOFFMAN and that such an interview was
had before her name was published in the DETROIT TIMES, and he therefore
detailed HOFFMAN to interview Mrs. HOFFMAN and acquire or ascertain
the charges against her were true. He said that Reporter BOGART proceeded
to interview JAMES HOFFMAN and the news item in question resulted from
REPORTER BOGART'S interview with Mrs. HOFFMAN.

MR. MONTGOMERY said that REPORTER BOGART'S instructions were to
interview Mrs. HOFFMAN and inquire of her whether the charges were true
or were false, but that he did not to inquire into the merits of the case or
trial. Mr. MONTGOMERY was asked whether he specifically instructed REPORTER
BOGART not to inquire into the merits of the case, but he replied that while
he did not specifically so instruct him, his instructions really confined him
to the scope of inquiring whether the charges against her were true or
false. He said that in doing the interview, JAMES HOFFMAN stated in the
interview that he was trying to get the charges out of her.

He said that he was not aware of the charges against her until
the trial. He stated that it was not until after the interview
that he learned of the charges against her and that he was not aware of the charges
until after the trial.

He said that the following day he received a letter from the
Detroit Times, wherein it was stated that the interview
had been conducted in a manner which was not proper and that the charges
against her were not true. He said that he was not aware of the charges
until after the trial and that he was not aware of the charges until after the trial.

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R. JOHN C. MANNING, City Editor, was present during the entire interview had with Mr. MONTGOMERY.

Inquiry disclosed that REPORTER FRANK BOGART is absent from the city temporarily. He is expected to return the latter part of this week, at which time an interview with him will be sought.

ENDING.

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June 14, 1927.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LAMARCA.

I am transmitting, attached hereto,
preliminary report of Agent Daly, dated Detroit,
Mich., June 7, 1927, in the matter of the alleged
contempt of court and jury tampering reported
in the case of SAFIRE vs. FORD.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Wm. J. Quinn

W. J. R.

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June 12, 1927.

J E Holt
Dept of Justice
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Detroit Michigan

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Reference is made to previous reports in the above entitled matter and particularly to Agent's report for June 7, 1947.

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Agent had prepared a statement for Mr. McCarthy's attorney, Mr. Solinger. The original copy of the interview was with Mr. ROSENBERG in New York and this written statement was submitted to Mr. ROSENBERG at this time. At the time, some few minor changes in the handwriting and then said the statement as corrected showed the facts of the full detailing EXCEPTED. As to the interview in question, he said that this statement is re-written to conform to the corrected copy and by the statement of Mr. LEVIN, saying that it is correct as to the facts of the interview and that the statement is correct.

The statement was re-written and MR. IRADORE LEVIN was seen at his office and the statement submitted to him. He said that the facts as contained in this statement were correct, according to his understanding of the incident, but that he desired that if MR. MONTGOMERY signed any statement that the same should contain certain additional facts covering the circumstances which led up to MR. MONTGOMERY'S assigning REPORTER ROGART to interview JAMES ROYHANE, he therefore would have MR. MONTGOMERY prepare a more comprehensive statement to be submitted to Agent instead of having him sign the statement prepared by MR. LEVIN also said that he would have MR. IRADORE ROGART prepare a statement of his knowledge of all the facts and circumstances surrounding the incident there he had interviewed JAMES ROYHANE.

Accordingly, on June 14, 1951, Mr. [redacted] was in Agent [redacted] and the [redacted] was [redacted] by Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted].

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several thousand dollars if you will do that." She shook her head and started to walk away. He then took hold of her arm and they continued their conversation in a low tone of voice so that deponent was unable to hear the conversation. She then looked about her, shook hands with Miller and said to him, "I'll see you later." He replied, "All right," and left, in company with his two associates above mentioned.

Deponent states that on Thursday, March 24, 1937, about 10:35 A.M., the court took a recess until afternoon and as soon as the recess was taken the said Miller walked up to the said Supire as the latter was leaving the court room, greeted him, and putting their arms around each other they conversed intimately and earnestly in low tones so that this deponent was not able to overhear it, and they walked together to the end of the corridor, where they separated.

On Monday, March 28, 1937, the said Miller was again in the corridor adjacent to the court room and during the afternoon recess the said Miller and the said Supire bowed to each other but no conversation took place between them at that time. At the adjournment of court, at the end of the afternoon session on said day, the said Miller met Mrs. Hoffman as she was leaving the court room and shook hands with her; they held a conversation for about two minutes.

On Tuesday, March 29, 1937, the said Miller entered the court building about 7:30 A.M. and spoke to the said Mrs. Hoffman in the corridor adjacent to the court room. He waited about the corridor until shortly after 10 o'clock, when he entered the court room and remained there until the noon recess.

On Thursday, April 1, 1937, said Miller again attended the trial at said court and entered the court room about noon. At the noon recess, when said Miller left the court room, this deponent instructed Mr. E. Gaffler and Joseph L. Glavin, two investigators working under the supervision of this

deponent, to follow the said Miller when he left the Post Office Building.

ALBERT F. BATES.

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the
city of Detroit, Michigan, this 20th day of
April, A. D. 1937.

HOWIE L. CORBY
Notary Public.

My commission expires Feb. 1, 1931.

for the Federal Building and Supreme Court House and Mrs. HOFFMAN would not meet him at the Federal Building.

He said that he had seen JOHN H. HOFFMAN at New Orleans. The result of HOFFMAN's visit is set out in the affidavit of A. J. VAIL which is attached to the motion for the writ.

MR. HOFFMAN said he also on two occasions went down to tell MR. HOFFMAN to tell the Judge about the incident wherein WILLIAM HOFFMAN shot her, but MR. HOFFMAN did not do so. (See affidavit of E. W. WILSON, copy of which is attached to report of Agent E. W. Wilson for May 24, 1927, wherein WILSON states he went to see MR. HOFFMAN on April 24, 1927, and told him the Post Service Department knew of every move his wife had made, knew of her being approached by a man connected with HARRY, and advised HOFFMAN to have his wife tell the Judge, etc. A photostat of a memo, which MR. HOFFMAN stated WILSON left with him at this time and which is on a Ford Motor Co. form and which appears to refer to JAMES HOFFMAN'S movements is hereto attached. The original, as secured by Agent Wilson from WILLIAM HOFFMAN is attached to the Detroit copy of this report.)

With reference to the affidavit of JOHN MAY, which is also attached to the motion for a writ, and which has reference to a controversy which led to a blow between WILLIAM HOFFMAN and his brother, ROY HOFFMAN, which occurred on April 24, 1927, in the place of business of the HOFFMANS, which has been referred to as a saloon, MR. HOFFMAN at this time stated that he had been instrumental in bringing about this brawl, saying that through an undercover man there was implanted in the mind of HOFFMAN the suspicion that his brother, ROY, was not dividing the revenue of the saloon properly between them, and he (HOFFMAN) expected that the police would be there to arrest HOFFMAN and his brother when the brawl occurred, but the police fell down and did not get there in time.

That with respect to the incident wherein MILLER is said to have given MR. HOFFMAN a large box of candy, MR. HOFFMAN says that "MILLER" was one of his henchmen, with (notes that he saw MILLER had a large box of candy, a five-pound box, to MR. HOFFMAN in the Federal Building.

Reference is made to that part of Agent Wilson's report for May 26, 1927, (page 6) above.

He stated that MR. HOFFMAN is an officer of the Catholic League of Women in Detroit and that he has had any publicity in the matter.

MR. HOFFMAN referred to a small box of candy one of the women agents is reported to have seen him. HOFFMAN's explanation, saying that his conversation with her was in regard to the fact that MR. HOFFMAN had had a spot, and

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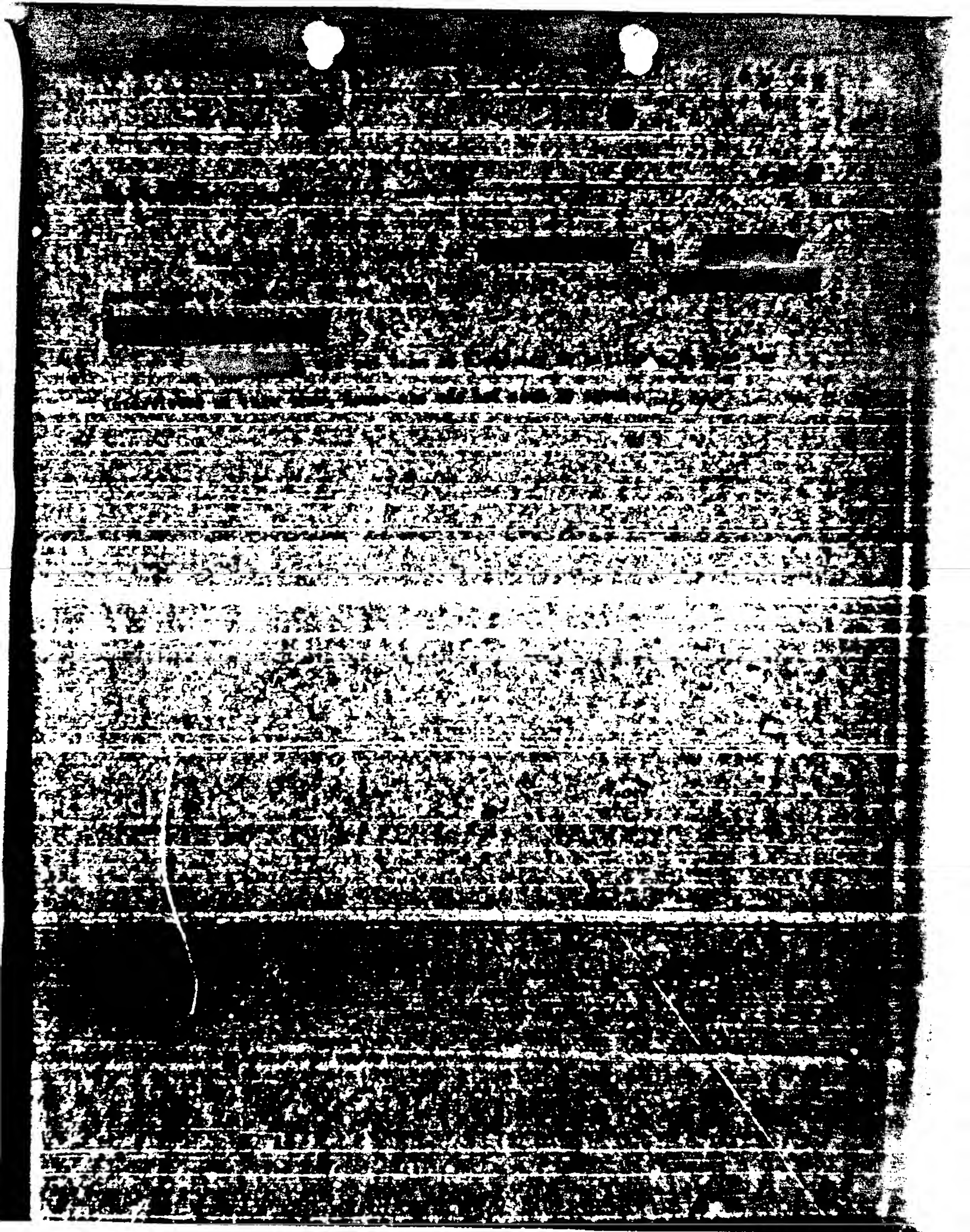
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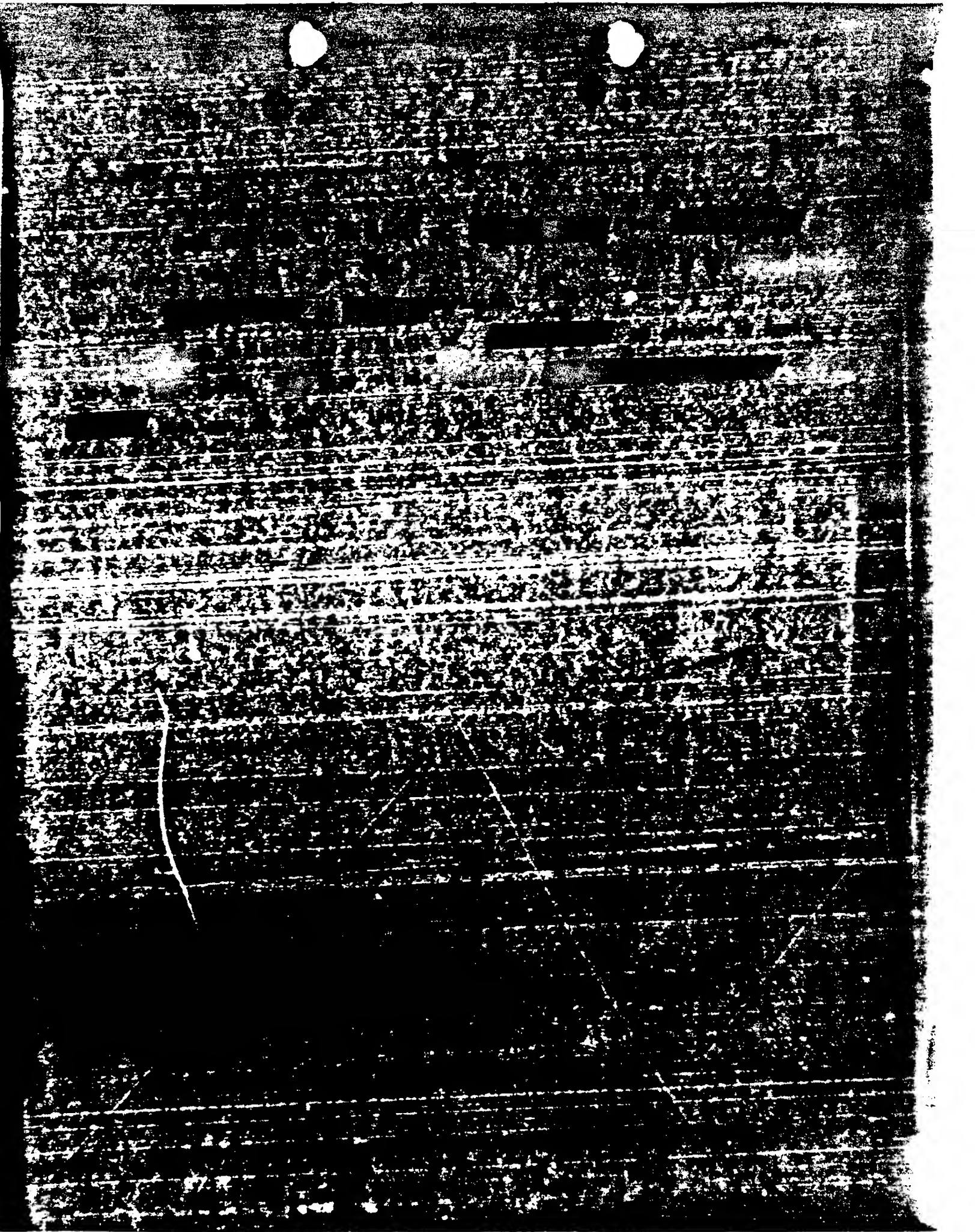
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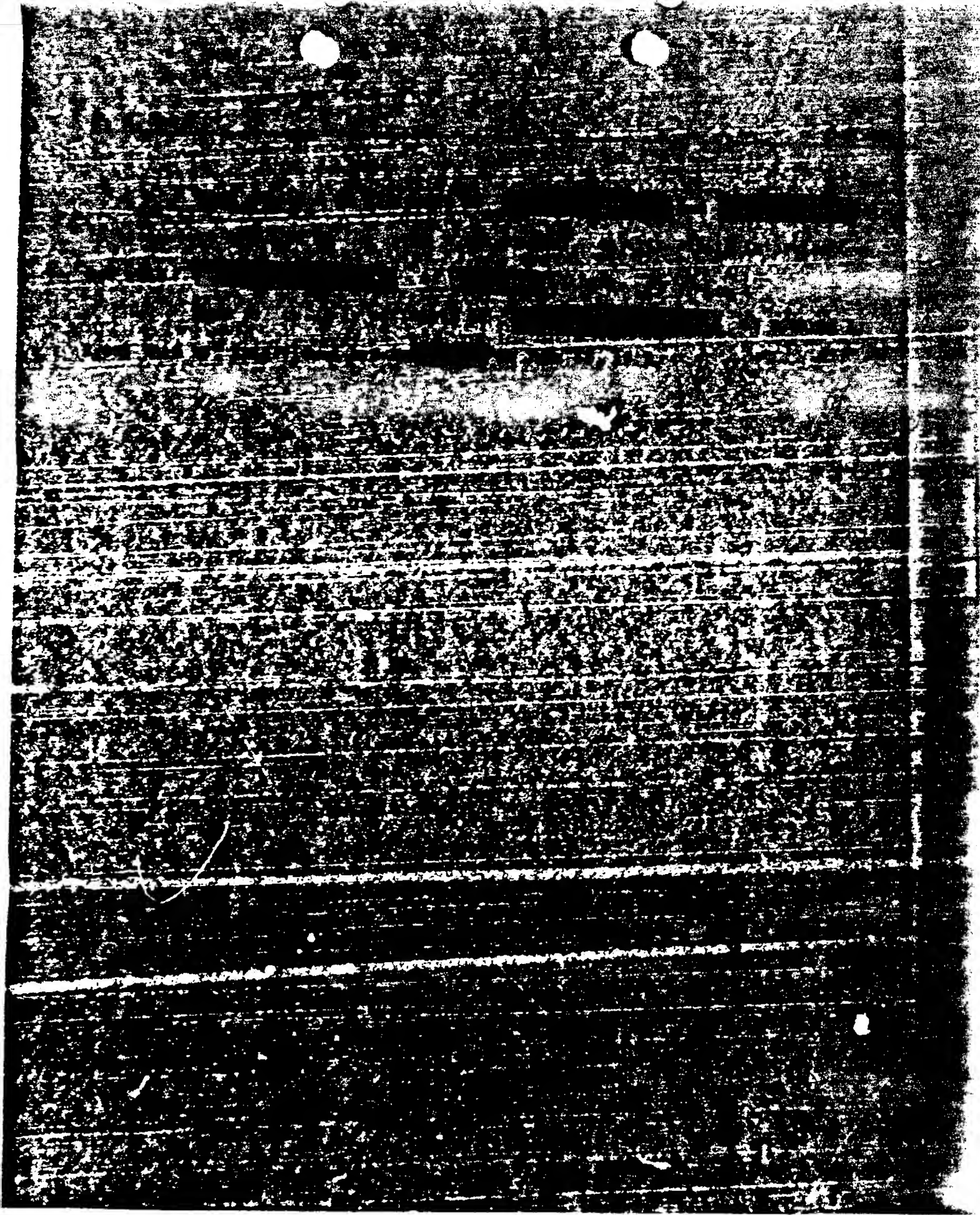
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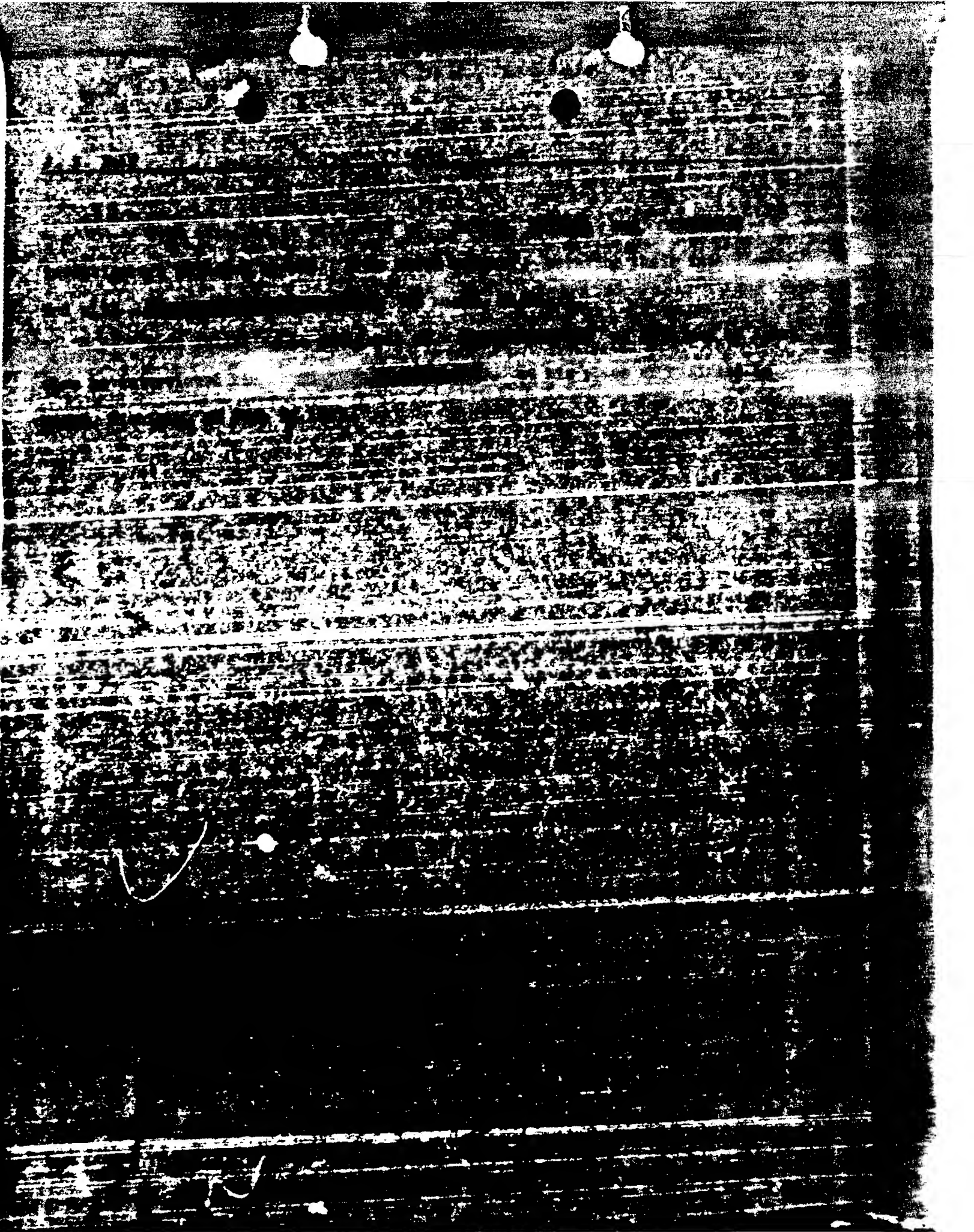
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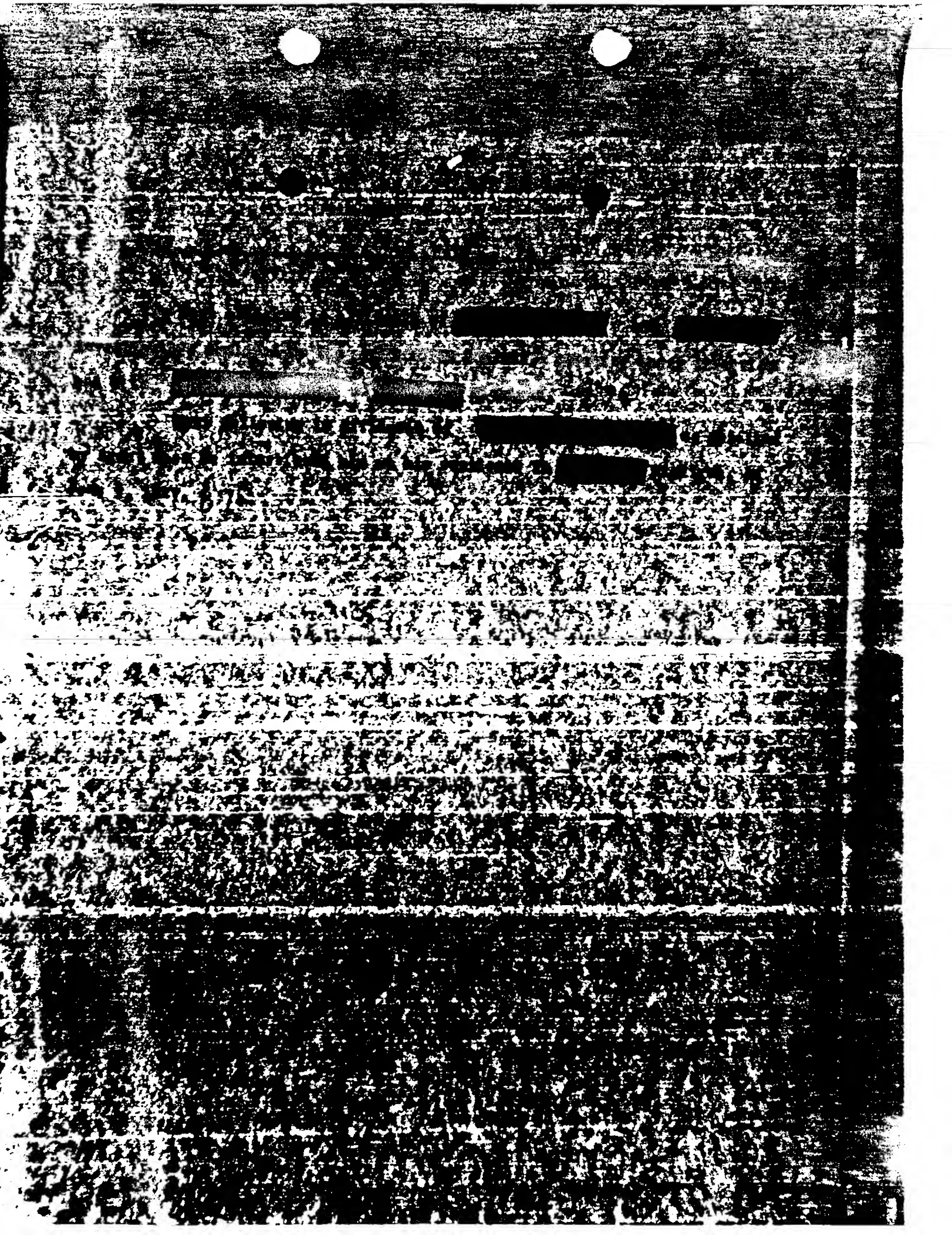
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FORD ORDERED FIGHT ON JEWS, EX-EDITOR SAYS

E. G. Pipp, Former Dearborn Independent Head, Charges
Flower King Had Presidential
Bee and Thought At-
tacks Would Win Votes

BLAMED JEWS FOR WAR IN TALK TO THE WORLD

Interview Published in 1921
Showed Ford Thought
"Protocols" Genuine

Henry Ford not only was far from with the broadsheet he had again the Jews by his Dearborn Independent during nearly seven years but personally ordered their publication according to charges made by E. G. Pipp, former editor of the Ford magazine. The will be printed in the June 18 issue of the American Hebrew.

The Daily American King started the trouble last Friday with a retraction and apology. The statement on the impression that Mr. Ford had let the policy of the magazine determine its editors and that they were to be blamed for the Jewish attacks.

"Had I appreciated even the general nature of any nothing of the facts of these utterances I would have been hidden their circulation without a moment's hesitation," he said.

His Motives Questioned

Throughout the country, dozens of leaders of Jewish thought have publicly perceived the retraction as a cover and many others have regarded it with incredulity, charging some material motive must have suggested it.

Suggested motives have included the thought that Ford wished to be a Presidential candidate in 1924, that the warfare against the Jews had hurt his business, that fear of the anti-semitic movement had led him to retract.

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SECRET SERVICE CHIEF Who
Throws Light on Ford's Policy



JOSEPH A. PALMA
A WORLD STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

have tried to make a world stand up to the table. I say it now."

Palma Tells of Starting Negotiations for Correction

Joseph A. Palma, Chief of the Secret Service, says in this interview that he ordered through a confidential agent the magazine's publication up to publication of 10,000 copies.

Several months ago, Henry Ford's Dearborn Independent published an article in which he expressed his opinion that the Jews were the cause of the war. He said, and he took them up with Harry Bennett, Chief of the Secret Service, who declined to publish the article but it was printed in the paper.

He learned the statement on the fact that Bennett had ordered the article to be published. He said that he had been told by Bennett that the article was not to be published.

He and Bennett then went to the White House and had a long conference. He said that he was not sure what the result was, but he was sure that the article was not to be published.

THE SECRET SERVICE CHIEF

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